

ESTABLISHED 1861.

"PROGRESSIVES" ENDORSE TARIFF AND ADMINISTRATION OF TAFT

Henry M. Stimson Will Be
Named as Candidate
for Governor.

WAR AGAINST GRAFT

Is to Be Kept Up and Pri-
mary Election Law Will
Be Enacted.

SARATOGA, Sept. 28.—The work of drafting the platform for presentation to the Republican State convention occupied the time of the committee on resolutions the greater part of the night. The platform endorses the administration of President Taft and Governor Hughes, declares that the Payne-Aldrich tariff law has been a success and refers with approval to the work of the last Congress.

It pledges a continuance of the state graft inquiry "until all wrongdoing capable of exposure shall be brought to light."

Platform Planks.

The plank relating to direct primaries is very brief, but it admits of no misconstruction. "We promise legislation which will enact these principles into law," is the pledge.

That Henry L. Stimson, former United States district attorney for New York, will be the nominee of the "progressive" element for the governorship became known after a conference with Roosevelt just before the convention was called to order.

Two sessions of the convention seemed likely today. Discussion of the platform, the "progressives" said, probably would take a portion of the day, after which it might be necessary to adjourn for a night session.

Root is Chairman.

Roosevelt called the convention to order. There were no contests and the committee on credentials had no report to make.

Senator Root was named as permanent chairman of the convention by the committee on permanent organization. Roosevelt introduced him to the delegates in a brief speech.

Root in his speech urged the leaders of the party to forget the controversy of yesterday. He said the fight had been fought man fashion and a majority of the convention had decided it and the members of the minority should bow loyal to the result.

Pendergast, of Kings county, read the report of the resolution committee. The references to Taft and Hughes created rounds of applause.

Speaker Wadsworth moved the adoption of the minority report which he said contained a substitute for the direct primaries plank in the majority report.

A motion to limit debate on the platform to two hours carried.

ROBBERY CHARGED

Against a Colored Fellow
Who is Known Here as
Black Boy.

A colored man known as Black Boy is in jail to await trial on a burglary charge. It is alleged that he and another colored man robbed one of the occupants of a house in the colored settlement on Baltimore street west of the Junction hotel yesterday afternoon, while the fellow was asleep, securing a pocketbook, \$7 and other articles. The police have little faith in the case but the arrested man will probably be handled as an undesirable.

BIG COAL DEAL

Pittsburg Concern Negotiating for Coal in This State
Worth \$50,000.

FAIRMONT, Sept. 28.—Negotiations have been closed for the sale of the holdings of the Opekiska Coal Company at Opekiska, near here, to W. D. McGinnis, of Connellsville, Pa., and Joseph R. Bailey, of Fairmont. The consideration is \$50,000. The property will be combined with that of the Pittsburg Steam Coal Company, the capitalization of which will be increased and the Opekiska will be enlarged.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—Wheat 95 7-8; corn, 52 1-2; oats, 32 3-4.

NOTED PLAYERS MAY COME HERE

Pittsburg Aggregation of
Fifty Are to Make a
Tour Soon.

The Pittsburg Symphony Orchestra of fifty players, conducted by Carl Bernthal, with Miss Christine Miller, principal cellist, and oratorio soloists, will make a tour during the week beginning January 23, and it is probable that Clarksburg will be included in the itinerary.

The Pittsburg Symphony Orchestra which will present a series of thirty concerts at Memorial Hall, Pittsburg, during the season of 1910-11, is a notable organization. The members are selected from among the best musicians America affords, and many of them have been associated continuously as members of the Pittsburg Orchestra during the last ten years.

The leading principals, Franz Kohler, concert master, Fritz Goerner, principal cellist, Fred Van Amburgh, Theodore Ghysels, Joseph Vito, Edward Llewellyn, Louis Doucet, Emilio Puyans and Arthur Goenther, are classed as among the most capable players in the country, and the ensemble work of the orchestra is especially fine.

Carl Bernthal, the distinguished young conductor, is looked upon as one of the most successful of America's younger conductors. A musician of splendid intelligence, having an extensive knowledge of the works of the Masters, and an undoubted ability to interpret them, Mr. Bernthal's success is a credit to the judgment of the American public.

Miss Christine Miller, one of America's successful concert and oratorio singers, is winning well deserved praise wherever she appears.

Miss Miller's booking for the season include engagements with some of the most distinguished musical societies in America, and will be in many instances her second and third appearances with these organizations. Miss Miller's success is a fine tribute to the talent of this charming Pennsylvania singer. Next April, Miss Miller will go on a ten weeks' tour with the Damroch Orchestra.

ALUMNI MEETING

Is Held at Morgantown and
Plans Discussed to Aid
University.

MORGANTOWN, Sept. 28.—A well attended meeting of the executive committee of the West Virginia University Alumni Association was held here last evening in the office of Judge Cox there being nine members present. A committee was appointed to provide for a students' aid fund. Four men each pledged themselves for \$500 of stock in the movement but their names were withheld.

The committee named to provide this fund was: Charles N. Babbs, Judge Frank Cox, William G. Brown and Prof. Thomas E. Hodges.

A committee consisting of Miss Eleanor Moreland, Prof. R. L. Morris and C. B. Dille was also named to provide an alumni library of the work of the university alumni.

Several other committees were named to conduct the work systematically in all branches. The next meeting of the executive committee will be held at the same place November 3.

WEBSTER COUNTY AUDIT.

E. A. Dover, of the tax commissioner's office, is auditing the reports of the county commissioners of the different counties of the state. Today Mr. Dover filed the audit of the county records of Webster county, with the tax commissioner.

WHITE RECALLED.

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 28.—Representative Charles A. White was recalled to the witness stand today for cross examination, when the Lorimer senatorial investigating committee convened.

Legislative Investigators May Rival Lexow Committee

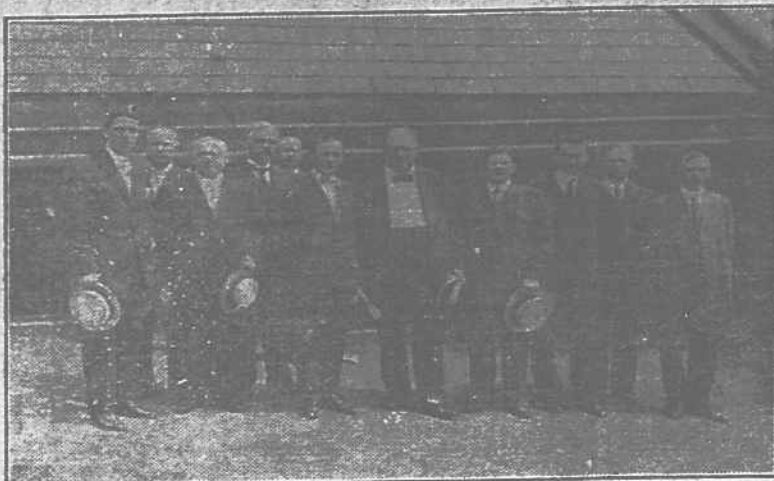


Photo by American Press Association.

One of the most interesting investigations ever held in New York and one which is liable to be continued for several months is that being conducted by the committee named by the legislature of the state. Daily accounts of the probing being done by the committee are read by thousands, and some declare that before their task is completed the committee's work will rival that of the famous Lexow investigation. The members of the committee shown in the picture, reading from left to right, are: Assemblyman Toombs, Charles H. Hotelling (sergeant-at-arms), George M. Shotwell (stenographer), Assemblyman Young, Assemblyman Colne, Assemblyman Foley, Senator Wagner, Walter Moses (secretary), Assemblyman Merritt (chairman) and Senator Allen.

STATE CORN SHOW IN WEST VIRGINIA

Is to Be Held So Growers Can
Compete at the National
Show.

D. W. Working, superintendent of agricultural extension work of the West Virginia University, was a prominent visitor here from Morgantown Wednesday on his way home from Flemington, where he made arrangements for an agricultural school. An exhibition of agricultural products will be given Thursday and Friday, December 1 and 2, and the school will open the following Monday and continue one week. Dr. Working will be in charge of the school.

Dr. Working states that the university is arranging a big state corn show to be held at Morgantown in January in connection with the winter agricultural course. The show will be for the purpose of having growers in this state eligible to enter exhibits at the national corn show at Columbus, O., the last of January and the first ten days in February, only exhibits that have been awarded prizes being allowed to be entered.

An agricultural rally similar to that held here recently, over which Governor Glascock presided, is being held today at Keyser. Tomorrow one will be held at Moundsville. Friday there will be one at Huntington and Saturday one at Ronceverte.

State Superintendent of Schools M. K. Shawkey is in charge of these rallies. E. D. Sanderson, the new dean of the College of Agriculture at Morgantown, is one of the principal speakers at these rallies.

CHOLERA REFUGEES

Are Being Embarked in Italy
to Sail to the United
States.

PARIS, Sept. 28.—Private advices from Italy assert that Italian emigrants from the cholera infested districts of that country are being embarked at Genoa for America.

SHOOTING

And Other Conduct Engaged in by
Foreigner Lands Him in the Toils.

Constable William Post went out to Perry Mine last night, where a foreigner under court name of John Doe was terrorizing the denizens by shooting and being otherwise disorderly under the influence of liquor. The constable landed him in jail to await trial in Justice George H. Gordon's court at 7 o'clock this evening.

COURT AT SALEM.

The members of the county court inspected a site today for a bridge at Salem.

UGLY CHARGE

Is Preferred Against John
Tott, a Coal Miner, by
a Young Girl.

John Tott, a Hungarian engaged as a coal miner, is in jail to await a hearing before Justice George H. Gordon on a criminal assault charge preferred by Fay Ansel, aged 14 years, an American. The arrest was made Tuesday night by Constable William Post.

The girl alleges that the crime was attempted at Pleasantville Monday night, the fellow grabbing her and making improper advances. She prevented the culmination of his purpose by driving him away with a water pail.

Justice Gordon will hear the case at 9 o'clock Thursday morning.

ONE CENT VERDICT

Is Returned in a Suit in Circuit
Court Here for
\$1,000.

A verdict of one cent was returned by a jury in circuit court today for William Harrison who sued William A. Batten for \$1,000 for the destruction of wire fence at Bridgeport. The question of costs will be passed on later.

The litigants having agreed the suit of M. F. O'Laughlin against F. H. McNamee was dismissed. Answer was filed in the cause of B. D. Northrup against B. S. Davis et al.

A decree confirming distribution was decreed to be entered in the cause of Alvy F. Jackson against Myrtle L. Jackson.

The suit of J. C. Taylor against C. L. McCarty was given to the jury in the afternoon.

GOING TO BLUEFIELD.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Putnam will leave the city tonight for Bluefield, where he will accept a position as business manager of the Leader, a daily newspaper. They will be accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Wotring. Mr. Wotring will also accept a position on the Leader.

A BAD STORM.

A very damaging electrical and hail storm occurred at and near Quiet Dell Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock. Lightning struck a hay stack on the Ernest A. Rider farm and the place consumed it. Vegetation was badly injured.

METHODIST MINISTERS ARE BUSY IN THE CONFERENCE INDEPENDENT MEN AFTER RAILROAD

Election of Conference Officers is Held at the Morning Session.

REPORTS SUBMITTED

Memorial Services for Conference Dead Last Year Are Impressive.

Wednesday's session of the sixty-fourth annual meeting of the West Virginia Methodist Episcopal conference in the First Methodist church here was devoted largely to memorial service, election of officers, and miscellaneous business. The exercises and proceedings of this representative body of men were interesting and helpful.

Early Morning Talk.

An address on the subject, "Consistency," was made at 6 o'clock Wednesday morning by the Rev. Dr. A. B. Riker, who will have charge of a similar meeting each morning during the conference.

Sacrament and Roll Call.

At 9 o'clock the administration of the Lord's Supper was begun, the ceremony as given in the church ritual being followed. The Rev. Bishop William F. Anderson presided, and an hour was required for the completion of the ceremony.

The roll of ministers was then called by the secretary of the conference, the Rev. J. B. Workman, of the Wesley church, Wheeling. One hundred and sixty eight responded to the roll call of members of the conference.

In the communion service the Rev. William F. Anderson was assisted by the Rev. Bishop M. C. Harris, of Seoul, Korea, and the Revs. William Anderson, G. D. Smith, S. K. Arbutnot, S. P. Crummett, W. D. Reed, L. E. Resseger, John Beddow, Daniel Westfall, and the pastor of the local church, J. E. Bird.

Two Transfers.

Two transfers were announced at the Wednesday morning session: George F. Oliver, to the Fourth street church, Wheeling, from the Kentucky circuit; and Dr. T. W. Lane, from the West Virginia circuit to Puget Sound.

Will Meet at 8:30 a. m.

At the morning session a resolution was adopted making the time of meeting 8:30 a. m., the purpose of the change being to conduct a half hour's devotional service by way of preliminary to the regular program. The hour of adjournment was fixed at 12 o'clock noon.

Officers Are Elected.

The election of officers of the conference was then taken up, the secretary, treasurer, and statistical treasurer being chosen and each of these permitted to name his assistants.

The Rev. J. B. Workman was re-elected secretary of the conference, and named as his assistants John O. Bolton, W. M. Schultz, P. W. Matheny and J. T. Hickman.

L. S. Grose, formerly assistant treasurer was elected treasurer to succeed L. W. Roberts, and named as his assistants A. D. Craig, C. G. Lanham, H. B. Workman, W. C. Smith, R. G. Backus, W. L. Barze, R. D. Hall and J. H. Anderson.

G. W. Bent was re-elected statistical secretary, and named as his assistants T. G. Meredith, W. C. Strohmeier, G. Bleakley, W. E. Craig, S. B. Hart, J. C. Strader, P. L. Flanagan, I. Bowers and Arthur Lazenby.

Memorial Service.

After the officers were elected and their assistants named, a memorial service was conducted in memory of departed members of the conference.

The Rev. J. T. Hickman presided over the memorial service, and S. P. Crummett read an account of the life of W. W. Kelley superannuated recently deceased; R. G. Backus read the obituary of J. H. Daugherty; H. D. Clark that of Mrs. D. H. K. Dix; and W. H. Schultz that of Mrs. H. Scott.

The reports of the various members of the conference were then collected, and the list of standing committees nominated by the district superintendents was read and corrected. The list was then elected by the conference.

Reports Are Read.

The hearing of the reports of the district superintendents was then

begun, the reports of the following being read: William Anderson, of the Buckhannon district; John Beddow of the Charleston district and Daniel Westfall, of the Huntington district.

The reports of the others will be read Thursday morning, as follows: G. D. Smith, Morgantown district; W. D. Reed, Oakland district; S. P. Crummett, Parkersburg district; L. E. Resseger, Ronceverte district; S. K. Arbutnot, Wheeling district.

Afternoon Devoted to Business.

Beginning at 2 o'clock the work of receiving and filing the statistical reports of the various members of the conference was taken up. The Rev. Dr. A. B. Riker presided, and this work occupied the larger part of the afternoon, followed by an evangelistic meeting, with an address by the Rev. A. Moore, D. D., on the subject, "The Situation Spiritually."

This Evening's Program.

7:30 p. m.—Anniversary of the Freedmen's Aid Society, the Rev. F. Ross, presiding. Address by the Rev. J. P. Maveety, D. D.

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BIG CROWD

Attends the Opening of the
Republican Campaign
in Wheeling.

WHEELING, Sept. 28.—With a degree of enthusiasm that has seldom been equalled, the Ohio county Republican campaign was auspiciously opened last night at the Carroll club auditorium. The big hall was comfortably filled throughout the evening, and at all times there was an attendance of over six hundred voters.

The three principal speakers of the evening, Senator Nathan Bay Scott, Congressman Joseph H. Gaines and Hon. Charles E. Carrigan, presented the questions of the hour with a lucid eloquence that held the eager attention of their hearers and brought forth great bursts of spontaneous applause. The effort of Congressman Gaines was an especially masterly one, and his presentation of the all important tariff question was such that even a child could understand the principles involved, while it showed an appreciation and thorough grasp of the details of the subject. It is safe to say that no audience in the country has ever had the vital principles of protective and revenue tariff depicted in such a vivid and thoroughly convincing manner.

TO OPEN CAMPAIGN

Big Rally to Be Held at Grafton Thursday—Prominent Men to Speak.

GRAFTON, Sept. 28.—Politics, which have been rather quiet in the county since the nominations were made by the two great political parties, will begin to get more noisy this week. The campaign will open Thursday night when there will be a big Republican meeting in the court house. At this meeting Hon. Stuart F. Reed, Hon. Tracey L. Jeffords, Senator Fred O. Blue and Hon. Hugh Warder will speak. Much interest in the local campaign will be aroused from now on until the election.

NEW RULES

Will Govern the Football Game Here
Next Saturday Afternoon.

The football season will be opened here next Saturday with a game by the Clarksburg and Shinnston High School teams on the "old" fair grounds at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. An admission of 25 cents will be charged. All are urged to attend and assist the boys financially. It will be the first game in this section of the state under the new rules.

RIDDER TALKED OF.

SARATOGA, Sept. 28.—The name of Herman Ridder, of New York, leaped into prominence for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination today.

Discrimination in Freight
Rates for Steel Trust
is Charged.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 28.—Whether eight of the large railroad companies of the country shall be permitted to discriminate in freight rates against the independent steel and iron manufacturers of Buffalo, N. Y., in favor of the United States Steel Corporation, commonly known as the Steel Trust, is a question which has been put up to the Interstate Commerce Commission by five Buffalo steel companies. A hearing on their complaint has been ordered to be held before Special Examiner Matthew of the Interstate Commerce Commission, at Buffalo, October 5.

The complainants in the case are the Wickwire Steel Co., the Buffalo Union Furnace Co., the Tonawanda Iron and Steel Co., the New York State Steel Co., and the Lackawanna Steel Co. Their complaint is made against the New York Central and Hudson River railroad, the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburgh Railway, the New York and St. Louis railroad, the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway, the Erie railroad, the Baltimore and Ohio railroad and the Pennsylvania railroad.

The complaint alleges that on July 1, 1907, the defendants increased to \$1.65 per ton and on April 1, 1910, to \$1.85 per ton the rate on furnace coke from the Conneville district of Pennsylvania to the plants of the complainants in Buffalo territory, that the same was unjust and unreasonable and unduly discriminating as compared with the rate to the Pittsburgh district and to Gary, Ind., Wheeling being in the Pittsburgh district is presumably included in the complaint.

As the activities of the United States Steel Corporation are centered very largely in the Pittsburgh district and at Gary, Ind., and as the complainants in this case are all independent steel producers, the Interstate Commerce Commission is expected to face a clear cut fight between independents and the "trust."

VERY RADICAL

Is the Platform Adopted by
Wisconsin Republicans
in Convention.

MADISON, Wis., Sept. 28.—What is probably the most radical platform adopted in a generation by a Republican convention was promulgated by Wisconsin Republicans here today. It is generally designated as a radically progressive pronouncement. No mention of the national administration is made save to disparage. Senator La Follette, although far from well, was present for the first time when the resolutions were read. Mention of his name was invariably a signal for applause. Features of the platform are: Condemnation of the Payne-Aldrich tariff act, physical valuation of railroads and more stringent regulation of them, second choice primaries, initiative and referendum and recall, graduated income tax, national control of natural resources and adverse taxation of corporations.

GAYNOR SCRATCHED

From List of Candidates and
Democratic Leaders Confront a Problem.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 28.—With the sudden and unexpected scratching of Mayor Gaynor's name from the list of gubernatorial candidates, the Democratic leaders here for tomorrow's convention are confronting a problem. The men most talked of for the honor are Congressmen Sulzer, Havens, Thomas M. Osborne and Edward M. Shepard.

MARION VETS TO MEET.

FAIRMONT, Sept. 28.—On Thursday and Friday of this week, Fairmont will entertain the veterans of Marion county, who will meet here in annual session.